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JUNE LOCAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ANNOUNCED

METRO AREAS

Madison – Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) Secretary Roberta Gassman announced today that metro non-farm wage and salary employment estimates posted monthly gains in total jobs in 10 of the state's 12 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs). The Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis MSA posted the largest net increase with 8,600 more jobs. Close behind was the increase of 6,700 jobs in the Madison MSA. In both the Eau Claire MSA and Oshkosh-Neenah MSA the number of jobs was unchanged from May to June. Manufacturing employment rose in 11 of the 12 metro areas over the prior month and increased in nine metro areas compared to one year ago. The largest net job increase from June 2005, numerically and proportionately, occurred in the Madison MSA; and the Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis MSA, with a gain of 4,600 jobs over June 2005, marked the first month in 2006 with an increase in jobs compared to the same month in 2005.

"Wisconsin's job gains show that Wisconsin's economy continues to build strength," Secretary Gassman said. "Ten metro areas show job growth. Especially impressive are the job gains in the Milwaukee metro area and Madison. Most promising is the increase in manufacturing jobs throughout the state. While June unemployment rates showed typical increases in June with more people entering the labor market, the net growth in jobs over the month and over the past year, shows solid growth."

June unemployment rates in Wisconsin's 12 metropolitan statistical areas rose slightly by three-tenths to sixtenths of a percentage point over the month. Increases in metro rates followed the statewide pattern in June fueled by a sharp increase in job seekers, many of whom seeking summer employment. The Madison MSA reported the lowest June metro rate at 3.6 percent, while the Racine MSA had the highest rate at 6.0 percent.

Unemployment rates in four metro areas were lower in June 2006 compared to June 2005. The rates in three areas were unchanged, and five areas had higher rates. The Wausau MSA rate had the greatest increase, up four-tenths of a point to 4.7 percent over the twelve-month period, but was still lower than the Wisconsin rate of 4.9 percent.

County Rates

Sixty-two of the state's 72 counties posted higher unemployment rates in June on a monthly basis. Unemployment rates in four counties were unchanged and six posted rates lower than in May. The highest county-level unemployment rate in June was 14.3 percent in Menominee County, which also posted the largest monthly rate increase up four percent points compared to May. Dane and Pierce counties tied for the lowest rate, each at 3.5 percent. In sum, there were a total of seven counties with rates at four percent or lower in June.

Compared to June 2005, 24 counties have lower unemployment rates; 13 were unchanged and 35 were higher. Pepin and Waupaca counties each decreased by five-tenths of a percentage point and tied for the largest decrease. Menominee County's 1.6 percent point increase was the largest.

Employment and Labor Force

Place of Residence Data

Unadjusted labor force estimates

	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
Total labor force	3,142,400	3,058,700	3,087,800
Employed	2,987,600	2,920,700	2,937,000
Unemployed	154,800	138,000	150,800
Wis. Unemployment Rate	4.9%	4.5%	4.9%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	4.8%	4.4%	5.2%

Adjusted labor force estimates

	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
Total labor force	3,086,700	3,075,900	3,040,200
Employed	2,941,000	2,931,900	2,897,800
Unemployed	145,700	143,900	142,400
Wis. Unemployment Rate	4.7%	4.7%	4.7%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	4.6%	4.6%	5.0%

Unadjusted Unemployment Rate, by WI Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)

MSA	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
Wisconsin	4.9	4.5	4.9
Appleton	4.8	4.4	4.7
Eau Claire	4.5	4.1	4.7
Fond du Lac	5.0	4.4	4.9
Green Bay	4.9	4.6	4.8
Janesville	5.2	4.7	5.4
La Crosse	4.0	3.5	4.2
Madison	3.6	3.3	3.6
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis	5.5	5.0	5.5
Oshkosh-Neenah	4.8	4.3	4.8
Racine	6.0	5.4	6.3
Sheboygan	4.4	4.1	4.3
Wausau	4.7	4.1	4.3

Place of Work Data

Non-farm wage and salary estimates, by WI Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), in thousands

MSA	Current	Month Ago	Year Ago
Wisconsin	2910.7	2886.9	2882.6
Appleton	119.1	117.1	119.5
Eau Claire	80.9	81.4	79.5
Fond du Lac	48.9	48.5	49
Green Bay	171.9	170.4	170.2
Janesville	70.8	70.6	70.5
La Crosse	73.7	73.6	73
Madison	356.2	349.5	344.6
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis	853.6	845	849
Oshkosh-Neenah	92.7	93.1	92.6
Racine	82.7	81	81.5
Sheboygan	64.6	63.4	65.7
Wausau	72.8	72.2	73.4

WISCONSIN COUNTIES

Unemployment Rates June 2006 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

RANK	COUNTY	RATE	LAST	LAST	YR AGO	RANK	COUNTY	RATE	LAST	LAST	YR AGO
			RATE	RANK	RATE				RATE	RANK	RATE
12	ADAMS	5.8%	5.8%	5	5.9%	47	MARATHON	4.7%	4.1%	57	4.3%
4	ASHLAND	6.6%	6.5%	3	5.9%	9	MARINETTE	6.0%	5.5%	12	5.6%
35	BARRON	4.9%	4.8%	29	4.6%	14	MARQUETTE	5.6%	5.5%	10	5.7%
22	BAYFIELD	5.2%	5.1%	21	4.9%	1	MENOMINEE	14.3%	10.3%	1	12.7%
39	BROWN	4.9%	4.5%	40	4.7%	6	MILWAUKEE	6.4%	5.8%	7	6.3%
69	BUFFALO	3.9%	3.5%	69	4.2%	61	MONROE	4.2%	4.1%	54	4.0%
34	BURNETT	4.9%	5.1%	20	4.9%	19	OCONTO	5.4%	5.4%	13	5.1%
63	CALUMET	4.9%	3.7%	66	4.9%	29	ONEIDA	5.1%	4.9%	27	4.9%
45	CHIPPEWA					30	OUTAGAMIE				
		4.7%	4.4%	42	5.0%			5.0%	4.6%	36	4.7%
31	CLARK	5.0%	4.4%	43	5.0%	65 50	OZAUKEE	4.2%	3.5%	71 65	4.1%
58	COLUMBIA	4.3%	4.2%	51	4.2%	56	PEPIN	4.4%	3.8%	65	4.9%
36	CRAWFORD	4.9%	4.7%	30	4.8%	71	PIERCE	3.5%	3.6%	68	3.3%
72	DANE	3.5%	3.2%	72	3.5%	24	POLK	5.2%	5.0%	23	4.5%
26	DODGE	5.2%	4.7%	32	5.2%	38	PORTAGE	4.9%	4.6%	35	5.0%
57	DOOR	4.3%	4.5%	38	4.3%	3	PRICE	6.8%	6.4%	4	5.6%
44	DOUGLAS	4.7%	4.6%	34	4.7%	10	RACINE	6.0%	5.4%	14	6.3%
62	DUNN	4.2%	3.9%	59	4.4%	41	RICHLAND	4.8%	4.3%	49	4.1%
51	EAU CLAIRE	4.5%	3.9%	61	4.5%	27	ROCK	5.2%	4.7%	33	5.4%
8	FLORENCE	6.2%	5.7%	8	6.3%	5	RUSK	6.4%	5.8%	6	6.1%
33	FOND DU LAC	5.0%	4.4%	45	4.9%	59	SAUK	4.3%	4.2%	52	4.0%
7	FOREST	6.4%	5.6%	9	6.6%	17	SAWYER	5.5%	5.3%	15	5.3%
50	GRANT	4.5%	4.0%	58	4.6%	28	SHAWANO	5.2%	4.6%	37	4.8%
48	GREEN	4.5%	4.3%	47	4.4%	54	SHEBOYGAN	4.4%	4.1%	55	4.3%
23	GREEN LAKE	5.2%	5.0%	22	5.4%	68	ST. CROIX	3.9%	4.1%	53	3.6%
70	IOWA	3.8%	3.8%	62	3.9%	53	TAYLOR	4.4%	4.3%	46	4.7%
2	IRON	6.9%	7.1%	2	7.0%	66	TREMPEALEAU	4.0%	3.8%	63	4.2%
25	JACKSON	5.2%	4.9%	28	5.3%	32	VERNON	5.0%	4.4%	44	4.3%
52	JEFFERSON	4.4%	4.4%	41	4.4%	43	VILAS	4.7%	4.9%	26	4.6%
21	JUNEAU	5.3%	5.2%	17	5.5%	60	WALWORTH	4.3%	3.9%	60	4.2%
13	KENOSHA	5.7%	5.0%	25	5.7%	20	WASHBURN	5.4%	5.2%	18	5.5%
46	KEWAUNEE	4.7%	4.3%	48	4.4%	49	WASHINGTON	4.5%	4.1%	56	4.5%
67	LA CROSSE	4.0%	3.5%	70	4.1%	64	WAUKESHA	4.2%	3.7%	67	4.2%
55	LAFAYETTE	4.4%	3.8%	64	4.3%	40	WAUPACA	4.8%	4.5%	39	5.3%
11	LANGLADE	5.9%	5.5%	11	5.6%	15	WAUSHARA	5.6%	5.2%	19	5.4%
18	LINCOLN	5.5%	5.3%	16	5.3%	42	WINNEBAGO	4.8%	4.3%	50	4.8%
37	MANITOWOC	4.9%	4.7%	31	5.0%		WOOD	5.6%	5.0%	24	5.6%
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WISCONSIN CITIES Unemployment Rates June 2006

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

RANK	CITY	RATE	LAST RATE	LAST RANK	YR AGO RATE
5	APPLETON CITY	6.5%	5.9%	5	6.0%
2	BELOIT CITY	7.9%	7.1%	3	7.8%
26	BROOKFIELD CITY	4.0%	3.4%	27	3.8%
18	EAU CLAIRE CITY	4.9%	4.2%	20	5.0%
9	FOND DU LAC CITY	6.1%	5.3%	11	5.7%
24	FRANKLIN CITY	4.2%	3.8%	22	4.3%
4	GREEN BAY CITY	7.0%	6.7%	4	6.9%
20	GREENFIELD CITY	4.7%	4.4%	18	4.6%
16	JANESVILLE CITY	5.0%	4.8%	14	5.5%
7	KENOSHA CITY	6.4%	5.6%	10	6.5%
17	LA CROSSE CITY	4.9%	4.2%	19	5.0%
28	MADISON CITY	3.7%	3.2%	28	3.7%
10	MANITOWOC CITY	5.9%	5.6%	7	5.7%
25	MENOMONEE FALLS VILLAGE	4.1%	3.7%	24	4.1%
3	MILWAUKEE CITY	7.8%	7.1%	2	7.7%
27	NEENAH CITY	3.9%	3.7%	23	3.7%
23	NEW BERLIN CITY	4.3%	3.7%	25	4.0%
21	OAK CREEK CITY	4.4%	3.7%	26	4.1%
15	OSHKOSH CITY	5.3%	4.6%	17	5.6%
1	RACINE CITY	9.2%	8.4%	1	9.9%
13	SHEBOYGAN CITY	5.4%	5.2%	12	5.3%
6	STEVENS POINT CITY	6.4%	5.8%	6	6.3%
19	SUPERIOR CITY	4.8%	4.6%	16	4.9%
14	WAUKESHA CITY	5.4%	4.8%	15	5.4%
8	WAUSAU CITY	6.2%	5.6%	9	5.9%
22	WAUWATOSA CITY	4.3%	4.0%	21	4.4%
12	WEST ALLIS CITY	5.6%	5.0%	13	5.5%
11	WEST BEND CITY	5.9%	5.6%	8	6.4%